FEDERAL ELECTION OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL

John D. Gibson Assistant Staff Director Reports Analysis Division Federal Elections Commission Washington, D.C. 20463

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October 15, 2000

RE: Request for an Advisory Opinion,

Dear Mr. Gibson.

OR 2000-35 This letter is a response to a letter sent to me, Theodore Schlagel, Treasurer, Green Party of Washington State (GPoWS), by your staff Adriane Lavender dated September 20, 2000 (see Attachment 1) and the letter from yourself dated October 12, 2000 (see Attachment 2). As I understand these letters, I, as the Treasurer of GPoWS, am required to request an advisory opinion from the FEC regarding GPoWS standing/status as the state committee for the Green Party of Washington State. It is up to the FEC to determine by issuing an Advisory Opinion whether the GPoWS is in fact the state committee for the Green Party of Washington State.

In light of this, I have reviewed the FEC Record and talked with your staff to determine what I must do to proceed. I contacted Adriane on 10/5/00 and was advised to talk to the FEC Information Division. I then talked to a "Ted" in the FEC Information Division on 10/5/00 and was advised to download the Brochure on Advisory Opinions from the FEC web site. Ted also advised me to review the FEC Record for past relevant Advisory Opinions, specifically AO 1999-26, AO 1998-27, AO 1998-24, AO 1998-2, AO 1997-29, AO 1997-7, AO 1997-3, AO 1996-51. AO 1996-43 and AO 1996-27. As I am sure you are aware, these Advisory Opinions present a consistent pattern regarding what is required to demonstrate that a state party qualifies as a State Party Committee.

First, by definition (from AO 1999-26), "the FEC Act defines a state committee as 'the organization which, by virtue of the bylaws of a political party, is responsible for the day-to-day operation of such political party at the state level, as determined by the commission". I have included the GPoWS state charter (see Attachment 3) and articles of incorporation (see Attachment 4) and bylaws (see Attachment 5). These documents show that GPoWS is chartered and incorporated within Washington State. The bylaws show that GPoWS is statewide in membership (3.1), holds state conventions (4.1.B), has elected officials (4.1.A), is a legal entity (4.1.D), has a governing body with regular meetings (4.1.D) and nominates and/or endorses federal and state candidates **(5)**.

According to AO 1999-26, "In a number of Advisory Opinions, the FEC has identified two requirements necessary for state political committee status".

"First, the organization must have a state affiliate agreement that delineates activities commensurate with the day-to-day operation of a party at a state level". The GPoWS bylaws is such a documented state affiliate agreement, voted on and adopted at the 5/13/00 state convention. The bylaws delineate activities commensurate with the day-to-day operation of a party at a state level.

"Second, the state affiliate must gain ballot access for its federal candidates. The state party's candidate must qualify as a candidate under FEC regulations in order for the party to satisfy this second requirement. The FEC has made clear that a state political party can qualify as a state party committee without an affiliation with a national political party". The GPoWS has nominated several candidates for federal office. These people have run as candidates of the Green These candidates have been on the primary elections ballot in Washington State, received more than 1% of the total votes cast and are on the ballot for the general elections of Washington State on November 7, 2000. All of these candidates satisfy FEC requirements for establishing themselves as federal candidates under 2 USC 431(2). These candidates include Ralph Nader, for US President, Winona LaDuke, for US Vice President and Joe Szwaja for US Congressman, 7th District. I have included printouts from the Washington State Government web page on 2000 general election candidates (showing that these federal candidates have ballot access in Washington State). This information is in the public domain and can be directly verified by the FEC (see Attachment 6).

Please note the GPoWS is not formally affiliated with either of the two national Green Parties but maintains informal contact with both as well as with the Nader National campaign. Nader has publicly acknowledged his nomination by GPoWS and the support he has received from the GPoWS towards his election campaign at the September 23, 2000 event at the Key Arena in Seattle Washington.

For these reasons, I believe that the GPoWS has met all of the requirements that the FEC set out regarding requirements to obtain State Party Committee status. I therefore request that the GPoWS be formally granted State Party Committee status for Washington State.

Please let me know if you have any questions or need any additional information.

Sincerely.

Theodore Schlagel Treasurer, GPoWS

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Theodore Schlagez, Treasurer Green Party of Washington State 18414 39<sup>th</sup> Avenue South Seattle, WA 98188

Identification Number:

C00361493

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Reference:

Statement of Organization, dated 8/26/00

Dear Mr. Schlagez:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-Your Statement of Organization indicates in Line 5(d) that you are a state committee for the Green Party. A state committee is defined as the organization which, by virtue of the bylaws of a political party, is responsible for the day-to-day operation of such political party at the state level, as determined by the Commission. 2 U.S.C. §431(15)

Please be advised that before using the contribution limits and/or statutes applicable for state parties, your committee must petition the Commission in the form of an advisory opinion to determine if it satisfies the criteria for state party status.

A written response or an amendment to your original report(s) correcting the above problem(s) should be filed with the Federal Election Commission within fifteen (15) days of the date of this letter. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division). My local number is (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,

Adriane Lavender Reports Analyst

Reports Analysis Division

Adriane Rowender

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### FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

October 12, 2000

Theodore Schlagel, Treasurer Green Party of Washington State 18414 39<sup>th</sup> Avenue South Seattle, WA 98188

Identification Number:

C00361493

Reference:

Statement of Organization, dated 8/26/00

Dear Mr. Schlagel:

This letter is to inform you that as of October 11, 2000, the Commission has not received your response to our request for additional information, dated September 20, 2000. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. To ensure compliance with the provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act (the Act), please respond to this request (copy enclosed).

An adequate response must be received at the Commission by November 1, 2000. Adequate responses received on or before this date will be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered. Failure to provide an adequate response by this date may result in an audit of the committee. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to taking enforcement action.

If you should have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Adriane Lavender on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or our local number (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,

John D. Gibson

Assistant Staff Director Reports Analysis Division

### STATE of WASHINGTON



### SECRETARY of STATE

I, RALPH MUNRO, Secretary of State of the State of Washington and custodian of its seal, hereby issue this

### CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION

to

### GREEN PARTY OF WASHINGTON STATE

a Washington Non Profit corporation. Articles of Incorporation were filed for record in this office on the date indicated below.

UBI Number: 601 792 178 Date: May 13, 1997



Given under my hand and the Seal of the State of Washington at Olympia, the State Capital



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### NONPROFIT ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

		RCW 24.03.0	025	Submit original				
UBI #				and one copy				
Phon	ne #: (206) 789-3620	Please type or print in	black ink.	Fee: \$30.00				
1. 1	Name of the nonprofit corporation: <u>GREEN</u> <u>PARTY OF WASHINGTON STATE</u> May contain designations such as "Association," "Services," and "Committee". May not contain a corporate designation such as "Corporation," "Incorporated," "Company," or "Limited" or the abbreviation "Corp.," "Inc.," "Co.," or "Ltd."							
2. 1	Ferm of existence (Check only or	ne box): 🔀 Perpetual	Years	(Please indicate number of years.)				
3. F	urpose for which the nonprofit corporation is organized: 10 further the							
_	promotion of the ten key values attached.							
. Please attach additional information.								
4. [	Name and address of each initial board director: ROBERT HAUG							
	_			Name				
_	2428 NW 56	SEATTLE	WA	98107				
	Address	_ City	State	ZIP Code				
	P	lease attach additional na	mes and addresses					
5. 1	Name and address of each incorporator: PETER NELSON							
	Name							
	316 N 83+d	SEATTLE	WA	98103				
	Address	City	State .	ZIP Code				
	. <b>P</b>	lease attach additional na	mes and addresses	<b>3.</b>				
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- 1	Effective date may be delayed up to 30	days beyond the date the d	ocument is stamped "	"Filed" by the Secretary of State's office				

8.	Name and address of Washington state registered agent: ROBERT HAUG						
			•	Agent Name			
	2428 NW 56	SEATTLE	WA	98:107			
	Address	City	State	ZIP Code			
	(Optional) P.O. Box for Malling Purposes Only	City	State	ZIP Code			
9.	I consent to serve as Registered Agent in the State of Washington for the above named corporation. I understand it will be my responsibility to accept Service of Process on behalf of the corporation; to forward mail to the corporation; and to immediately notify the Office of the Secretary of State if I resign or change the Registered Office address.						
	Nobert Hong	ROBERT	HAUG	4-29-97			
	Signature of Agent	Printed N	ame .	Date .			
10.	The document is hereby executed	under penalties of	perjury, and is, to t	he best of my knowledge			
	true and correct.	- Peter	NELSON	4/29/97			
	Signature of Incorporator	Printed N	lame	Date			

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE'S OFFICE. SUBMIT THE COMPLETED FORM AND THE \$30.00 FILING FEE TO THE ABOVE ADDRESS. EXPEDITED 24-HOUR SERVICE FEE \$20.00 PER ENTITY. WRITE "EXPEDITE" IN BOLD LETTERS ON OUTSIDE ENVELOPE.

### TEN KEY VALUES OF THE GREENS

### 1. ECOGICAL WISDOM

We are part of nature and must not destroy it lest we destroy ourselves.

### 2. GRASSROOTS DEMOCRACY

Developing systems that will allow us to control the decisions that affect our lives.

### 3. PERSONAL AND SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

Taking responsibility for what happens in our own community: education, crime, poverty, health.

### 4. NONVIOLENCE

Using non-violent methods to oppose practices with which we disagree.

### 5. DECENTRALIZATION

Returning autonomy to individuals, and to local institutions, communities, and regions.

### 6. COMMUNITY-BASED ECONOMICS

Encouraging workplace democracy and basic economic security for all, and recognising the importance of work done outside the formal monetary economy such as housekeeping, gardening, volunteer work, parenting.

### 7. POSTPATRIARCHAL VALUES/ECO-FEMINISM

Ending the domination of people by people, and encouraging respect for all people and their feelings and beliefs.

### 8. RESPECT FOR DIVERSITY

Honoring human cultural, ethnic, racial, sexual, religious and spiritual diversity.

### 9. GLOBAL RESPONSIBILITY

Helping all people to achieve autonomy. Realizing that our actions at home affect others worldwide.

### 10. FUTURE FOCUS

Inducing people and institutions to think in terms of the long range future, not just of their own immediate interests.

### Bylaws of the Green Party of Washington State (Adopted May 13, 2000)

### **ARTICLE I. NAME**

1.1 Name - The name of this organization shall be the Green Party of Washington State.

### ARTICLE II. FUNCTION OF THE ORGANIZATION

2.1 Function Statement - The function of this organization shall be to work towards a Green society as represented by the Ten Key Values of the Greens:

Ecological Wisdom Social Justice

Nonviolence Grassroots Democracy

Community-based Economics Decentralization
Respect for Diversity Feminism

Future Focus Personal and Global Responsibility

2.2 Methods - This organization may use any and all methods of non-violent social change: direct action, community organizing and education, personal empowerment, issue campaigns, ballot initiatives, and/or electoral campaigns; and their related strategies and tactics.

### **ARTICLE III. MEMBERSHIP**

- 3.1 Application for Membership Membership in the Green Party of Washington State is open to residents of the State of Washington who pay dues, file a waiver, or do work in lieu of payment. A membership applicant shall sign an application form which shall state that the applicant is in general agreement with the Ten Key Values.
- 3.2 Powers of Members Any member may add an item to the agenda of the State Convention by consensus or simple majority to the membership present. Any member has a right to vote at the State Convention.
- 3.3 Ineligibility for Membership Any person currently serving or seeking an elected position with another political party, including but not limited to precinct committee officer, shall not be eligible for membership.

### ARTICLE IV. STATE COORDINATING COUNCIL

### 4.1 The Function of the Coordinating Council

A) Composition - The State Coordinating Council shall be composed of five members elected proportionately at large at the State Convention, and a Treasurer and a Deputy Treasurer each elected by the membership at the State Convention. Each newly elected state coordinating council shall choose a facilitator, vice facilitator and secretary internally. These internal positions can be rotated at the discretion of the State Coordinating Council throughout their term of service.

Coordinating Council members should reside in at least three different geographical areas in the State. The Coordinating Council should reflect gender and racial diversity.

- B) State Conventions The State Coordinating Council shall plan state conventions and develop the agenda. State Conventions shall be held at least annually.
- C) Term of Service Upon election the State Coordinating Council shall facilitate the work of the Party until the election of their successors. The five at large Coordinating Council members and the Treasurer and Deputy Treasurer shall be elected for a one-year term by the Membership.
- D) Legal Board The State Coordinating Council shall be the legal board of the Green Party of Washington State and must meet at least six times a year.
- E) Facilitator The facilitator shall oversee the distribution of responsibilities of the various state coordinating council members and working groups and convene meetings of the Coordinating Council.
- F) Vice Facilitator In the absence of the Facilitator the Vice Facilitator will carry out the duties of the Facilitator.
- G) Secretary The Secretary serves as principal recorder at meetings of the State Coordinating Council and State Conventions and makes those minutes available to the general membership. The Secretary serves as Party Chair for the purposes of paperwork required by the State that are not the responsibility of the Treasurer.
- H) Treasurer The Treasurer shall be responsible for maintaining the financial records of the Party and for filing reports with the appropriate Washington State offices as required by law in a timely fashion. The Treasurer shall be the banking officer for all funds

at the State level, monitoring income and expenses as budgeted by the State Coordinating Council. This officer shall submit monthly financial statements of receipts and expenditures to the State Coordinating Council, make these statements available at the request of any State Green Party member, and shall submit all reports required by the State of Washington. Upon the conclusion of the term of office, the Treasurer shall turn over all books and reports to the State Coordinating Council and will include a final statement of accounts.

- I) Deputy Treasurer The Deputy Treasurer shall be responsible for assisting with all the duties of the Treasurer. Upon resignation of the Treasurer the Deputy Treasurer becomes the Treasurer. The Facilitator may appoint the Deputy Treasurer as interim Treasurer upon the non-performance of duties by the Treasurer.
- J) Budget It is the responsibility of the State Coordinating Council to prepare an annual budget beginning January 1st of each calendar year.
- K) Expenditures The Treasurer has discretion over day-to-day expenditures within limits set by the State Coordinating Council. All other expenditures are by approval of the State Coordinating Council.
- L) Vacancies in State Coordinating Council Positions Vacancies in the State Coordinating Council shall be filled by appointment by the State Coordinating Council.
- M) Other Functional Bodies The State Coordinating Council may establish other functional bodies and working groups as necessary.

Proposals for new functional bodies shall be submitted to a member of the State Coordinating Council by at least three members and shall clearly define the rationale for, powers of, and accountability standards for the proposed body.

**4.2 Removal** - Any member of the State Coordinating Council may be suspended by a 2/3rds vote of the State Coordinating Council, to be approved by 3/4 of the Membership. Any member of the Coordinating Council may also be removed for cause by a 3/4ths vote of the Membership.

### ARTICLE V. STATE PARTY GENERAL RULES AND PROCEDURES

### 5.1 Endorsements

- A) Candidate Endorsement Only members of the Green Party of Washington State shall be eligible for endorsement to elected office in Washington State.
- B) Presidential Endorsement Only candidates who are in agreement with the ten key values are eligible for endorsement for President and Vice President of the United States of America.
- C) Initiative Endorsement The State Coordinating Council may utilize mail balloting in order to take a position on a state initiative in a timely fashion.
- D) Other Endorsements The Membership may give the right of decision to the State Coordinating Council.
- 5.2 Term Limits No officials of the Green Party of Washington State shall serve on the Coordinating Council for more than three consecutive terms.
- **5.3 Delegations to other Organizations** Delegations are approved by the consensus of the membership. If consensus cannot be reached then Delegates are elected proportionally. The membership may give the right of decision to the State Coordinating Council.
- **5.4 Nominations for State Public Office** The Green Party of Washington State shall hold a Nominating Convention in compliance with State law. The threshold for nomination is 3/4 vote of the General Membership present and those voting by absentee ballot. Any person currently serving or seeking an elected position with another political party, including precinct committee officer, shall not be eligible for nomination.

### **ARTICLE VI. DECISIONS**

The Green Party of Washington State shall seek agreement on all decisions, hearing all views and concerns. Where consensus cannot be reached, decisions by all bodies of the Green Party of Washington State shall be approved on a 2/3 vote, except for meeting process motions which shall be approved by a simple majority.

### **ARTICLE VII. AMENDMENTS**

Amendments to these Bylaws may be adopted on a 70% vote of the Membership at a State Convention. Notification of proposed changes to the Bylaws must be fully detailed and sent to all members two weeks before the meeting. Proposed bylaws changes must be sponsored by at least three members and submitted to the Secretary of the State Coordinating Council at least 30 days prior to a State Convention. The Secretary is then responsible for distribution of the proposed bylaws change to the General Membership.

The Socialist Party advocates closing U.S. military bases outside its territory. It advocates a 50% cut in military spending, with training for workers thus displaced. It demands an end of the sanctions against Cuba, Iraq, North Korea, Libya, etc., which have not resulted in positive changes but, particularly in the case of Iraq, have resulted in the deaths of hundreds of thousands of children and elderly.

Our nation has one-quarter of the world's prison population. Often they produce goods, sold on the free market in competition with goods produced by union labor. We have built up a "prison industrial complex." Crime is a crime, and every person should feel secure in his or her community. But prison is also a crime. The police forces in our cities are immune from civilian control and pose a threat to the very people who often suffer the most from crime - the poor and the communities of color. The funds spent on prisons should be spent on preventative measures, better education, and, above all else, a rise in the living standards of the poor.

The term "working poor" is obscene. That anyone in this land should work full time and still be poor is an indictment of our system, which has brought vast wealth to a relative handful. The economic gap between the top and bottom sectors of the population has grown in the past twenty years. The rich are enormously wealthier - but the poor are poorer than they were twenty years ago.

To turn the tide, we must restore high, progressive tax rates on the wealthy and on corporations. Build decent housing for all. Double the minimum wage to make it a living wage. Restore and defend labor's right to organize. Oppose the WTO and other trade alliances that place corporations before people. Create family allowances and provide adequate day care. Create a complete publicly funded health system to cover every American. Rebuild the system of tuition free education. Defend affirmative action. End the failed drug war and treat drugs as medical, not criminal, problems. Guarantee a woman's right to choose. Abolish the death penalty. Support renewable energy. Defend full civil liberties, and begin the process of social ownership and democratic control of the "Fortune 500" and produce for human need, not private profit.

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Ralph Nader is an American hero. Born in Connecticut in 1934, he graduated magna cum laude from Princeton in 1955, and from Harvard Law School in 1958, then served in the Army. Nader came to the public's attention in 1965 when his best-selling book "Unsafe at Any Speed" exposed dangerous cars like GM's defective Corvair. For decades, he has fought relentlessly to protect Americans from powerful corporations and to make government responsive, saving countless lives in the process.



On issue after issue, year after year, Nader has confronted political and corporate bosses, fighting insurance companies, global trade arrangements that override American sovereignty, and corporate lobbyists who block safety standards and deny justice for injured parties. His lifelong integrity and tireless commitment to the public interest have made Nader a mainstay on lists of the most admired and influential Americans. In an era of widespread cynicism, he stands out as a public figure citizens can trust as President.

Nader strives to clean up the political decay that has turned our government over to a plutocracy and the politicians who take its marching orders. Nader is working on behalf of all Americans who understand the urgent need to wage peace, protect the environment, end poverty and build a deep democracy that involves all citizens.

America has far more problems than it deserves and far more solutions than it applies. The reason: excessive concentration of power and wealth in a few hands. In the service of greed and short-term thinking, this degree of concentration prevents our country from foreseeing and forestalling looming problems. Among them:

Environmental degradation, from global warming to land erosion; widely reported corporate crime, fraud, and abuse; urban poverty, redlining, and the decline of the family farm; relentless commercialization of every aspect of society.

Nader seeks to end the environmental violence of air pollution, water pollution and toxic chemicals. He wants to change current energy policy, run by oil lobbyists, to focus on conservation and alternative energies. He also wants to end commercial logging on public land and protect national forests from road building.

Nader advocates a living wage, publicly-financed clean elections, universal health care coverage, and stronger labor laws that protect workers' rights organize. He wants fair global trade policies with protections that pull up, rather than push down, labor and environmental standards.

Nader is taking on the Democratic-Republican duopoly of Tweedledum and Tweedledee, giving voice to regular voters — and non-voters, who make up the majority of eligible voters, because they don't believe their votes count.

Winona LaDuke, a Harvard graduate, lives on the White Earth Reservation in Minnesota and works on restoring the local land base and culture. LaDuke also serves as board co-chair for the Indigenous Women's Network and works in a national capacity as Program Director for Honor the Earth Fund, providing vision and leadership for the organization's Regranting Program and its Strategic Initiatives. In 1994, she was named one of Time Magazine's 50 most promising American leaders under age 40.

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Here's a dirty little secret: my opponents are politically indistinguishable. Oh, they'll spend lots of time and money to convince you that there's a world of difference between them. But fundamentally they're the same.

Each thinks he knows how Big Government should run your life. Each thinks you're not fit to decide how to educate your children, how to run your business, or how to plan for your retirement. Each thinks you can't make smart choices about which companies to patronize, what kind of auto to drive, what sort of health plan to buy, or what types of contracts to enter. Each wants Big Government to step in and "protect" you from yourself.

Joel Grus is the only candidate who believes you know how to live your life:

You should choose where your children go to school.

You should keep the money you earn.

You should choose which arts and charities to support.

You should be free to plan your own retirement.

You should decide what chemicals to put in your body.

You should contribute as much or as little as you want to political candidates.

You should decide whether to help build stadiums for millionaires.

You should be able to be proud of your country and your government. You should enjoy freedom. And you should vote for Joel Grus.

My guiding principle will always be that your life and your liberty belong to you and you alone. I will fight for legislation to put freedom back in your hands.

Help me give political power back to you.

Joel Grus: "Small Government. Big Heart." www.joelgrus.com

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Public school teacher at Nova High School, Seattle since 1993; City Councilman, Madison, Wisconsin, 1986-1993; U.N. Human Rights Award 1999; Endorsed by Ralph Nader; Married- one son, three step-sons.

We need to save our salmon. Enact universal health care. Support fair trade. Oppose corporate welfare. Obtain federal funding for transportation solutions. Stop old growth logging. Support working families.

Who can do this? Joe Szwaja and the Green Party.

Szwaja has the experience to get results. As a City Councilman he was a strong voice for labor rights, social justice and the environment. Szwaja is a community activist and schoolteacher with national and international experience. Recently, he was awarded the United Nations-Seattle Human Rights Award.

Just like in school, Joe Szwaja's campaign themes are based on three R's. Renew our Democracy. Restructure the global economy. Redirect resources to meet human and environmental needs.

Our democracy is threatened by big money and corporate interests. To renew our democracy, Szwaja will push for passage of true campaign finance reform. We need to put the power back into the hands of the people, not the corporations.

To restructure the global economy, he'll fight for fair trade with strong labor and environmental standards. He'll oppose the WTO and NAFTA as currently constituted; they promote environmental destruction, drive down living standards and undermine democracy.

We also need to redirect resources to meet basic human needs. We live in a time of profound economic injustice, where corporate welfare is the norm. We need to shift to instead fund universal health care, smaller classes, and transportation alternatives like the monorail and bike lanes.

The incumbent has been in office for many years, with few results. We need a strong voice of change for Seattle and Vashon residents. Joe Szwaja and the Green Party will make that happen.

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